### BACKING THE HOTEL STRIKE, OUR MILITANT APPEARS 3 TIMES A WEEK

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**PRICE I CENT** Call 30,000 Cab Drivers in General Strike

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#### Show Complete List of Amalgamated Demands

In a renewed attempt to discredit the general strike of the Amalgamated Hotel and Restaurant Workers Union and to sow demoralization in the ranks, the Daily Worker is concocting alarmist stories about a "secret sellout" agreement be-tween the union and the hotel men.

In these stories it is contended that the general strike of the Am algamated is not being conducted for specific demands regarding wages, hours and working conditions. This is completely false. Before the general strike started, a detailed list of demands for all the workers in the industry was worked out by the various shop organizations of the union, ratified by a general membership meeting, printed in leafiet form and given the widest distribution. When the fortyeight hour strike ultimatum was sent to the hotel owners, these demands were presented in the same letter with the form of agreement to recognize the union. They were sent to the three hotel associations and to each hotel individually.

A formulation in the agreemen for union recognition which specified that there should be no in crease in hours and no decrease in wages, did not express the minimum demands of the union, which were dealt with in the list of concrete demands. This was undoubtedly a bad formulation subject to misinterpretation and was deliberated misinterpreted in the Daily Worker's agitation against the un ion.

Strike Committee Unanimous At the last meeting of the gen The problem that arises before the men is: To consolidate the forces eral strike committee this whole that have been assembled, to spread the influence and power of the question was given thorough constrike to houses which have not yet walked out, and to integrate these sideration and a unanimous decinew forces into the union. sion was taken to draw up a new form of agreement without the objective clauses and specifically pro-

Strike-breakers are a pretty general strike of the hotel and rest-thousands. That this is an headquarters and the strike halls miserable lot. They take the job from a good union man-and they are unable to do the work themselves. The striker gets stabbed in the back by the scab. And the employer is unable to obtain proficient service from the strike-

breaker. Take the fashionable Casino de Paree, ritzy Broadway night club. Paul Coulcher, racketeer and pre-

sident of Local 16 of the A. F. has been supplying strikebreakers. In return he got a contract giving him the right to collect dues.

But there has been trouble between Local 16 and the Casino de Paree. The scabby waiters spilled so much soup that more than four hundred of them have been in and out the night club since the strike. Now the boss threatens to break his contract with Local 16 unless he can get strikebreakers from them that will fill the job. His patrons are complaining that since the strike their soup-and-fishes have not been giving them the service they all used to which is tough on the boss -and fine for the strike.

men who walked out have remained solid.

the most favorable index to the strike's prospects.

aurant workers in New York has obvious and deliberate under Thousands are pouring into union spread to the taxicab industry. statement, will be a clear to all to sign up. —CARL COWL. 30,000 cab drivers went on strike workers who have seen how they today. The last straw which let lied about the strength of the hotel loose the accumulation of bitter strike. grievances was the disposition of All the big companies are tied the 5 cent tax on all rides. The up. The Parmelee System, Yellow cab companies want the money col- Taxicab Corporation, Keystone, Five lected so far, estimated at between Boro, Radio, Terminal, General half a million and two million. to and Checker have been forced to go to them as part of their gross admit that they are crippled.

on the ground that their pay, which other strikes say this is one of the

coming out of their tips. fire. Even the capitalist newspapers have been forced to admit this. The New York Evening Journal admitted on February 2 that..."they crippled service at the Grand Central Terminal, for example, that scarcely one cab was available there -generally there are five hundred." 'The scene at the Pennsylvania Station was worse, if anything". This condition prevails at all railroad and steamship terminals in the city. The boss press estimates the num

income. But the men demand it Old-timers who have been through

averaged from seven to ten dol-greatest demonstrations of solidarlars for a ten-hour day, six-day ity in the history of the industry. week, was not enough to keep them By a unanimous vote of the strike alive, and that the tax was really meeting of the United Taxi Drivers Union of Greater New York,

The strike is spreading like wild every cab was ordered off the street At the time of the strike vote there

- The following are the demands of the striking drivers:
- 1. The entire "tax" to the drivers. 2. The 8 hour 6 day week (48
- hours) 3. No firing for low bookings.
- 4. Elimination of political and insurance racketeers. Eliminate police persecu
- tion. Against the vicious blacklist system.

7. No double shifts.

of the notel and restaurant workers of New York. In that period, scores of the largest and most powerful hotels in the city have been In spite of the disruptive factics by the leaders of the "industrial Union", which was and remains the greatest danger to the strike, the

ist organ to break the solidarity of Vorker strikers' supporting the F. the strikers. W. I. U. The Daily reported on Having failed to win a following Jan. 30 that 150 houses were ready The bosses' press in reporting in the industry on the basis of their to come out at the call of the F. Tuesday's Madison Square Garden program and "organization", the W. I. U. Of course, they have not meeting and the mass picket demon- 18th St. "Union", the Daily Worker, come out, the simple reason that stration that followed it, once again and the Food Worker have fallen there were never any such houses. showed its enmity to the hotel work- back on slander and misrepresentaers' strike for decent conditions and tion of those who have the work-

press, to discredit the strike in the nion recognition. The meeting and the demonstra- srtike, assailed viciously by the many types of lies, assailed viciously by the many types of lies. union recognition. eyes of the strikers. It has told tion had made history, not only for lying capitalist press, has also had The Daily attacked the A. F. W the hotel workers, but for the work- to face a barrage of attacks by the for lack of militancy. For examing class of New York. A strike Daily under pretense of building ple, on Jan. 31, it said:

meeting of almost 10,000 workers in tack with a series of articles inim- down in the bitter cold in front w York, but even more signific- ical to the strikers' interest. of the struck hotels, while leadant was the amazing mass picket the outset, the Daily has failed usual. As late as five o'clock howers of the Amalgamated Union line after the meeting. Marching to print statements of A. F. W. ofever, several of these hotels had maneuvered behind the backs of for two hours demonstrated before ficials. It has supported the splitthe workers to sidetrack any mino menus ready, although usually almost every major hotel in the ting policy of the Stalinist Food litant action which might develthey are printed hours before this. city, stretching out half a mile Workers' Industrial Union. The F. the strike!" op at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel along Park Avenue, protesting W. I. U., instead of helping miliwhere government officials and At Pierre's Mrs. Novack was told against the refusal of President tant elements in the A. F. W. has A. F. of L. leaders were preparing that "there is no a la carte menu Roosevelt to rebuke scabbing, it persistently sought to discredit a birthday party for President at all. "There was one item in was a most unusual event in the them. At critical moments the Roosevelt....they issued explicit each course, nothing fancy. The Daily has ignored important develcity's history. orders to the strikers not to stage dessert was ice-cream. Theodore, The bosses' press, however, min-opments in the strike. Whenever the head waiter, admitted that this a demonstration.' imized, distorted and even suppress- the strike suffered a blow, the Daily The Jan. 31 issue also characterwas "not usual," that there are ed the news of this demonstration. has featured the bad news. Whenordinarily four dishes on each ized the union's telegram to Roose-In the Herald-Tribune, the march- ever a victory was won it played course. "Madame must forgive us velt, protesting birthday dinners at ers were reduced to 2,000! The it down, ignored it or lied about it. scab hotels, as "cringing and belly--you know what conditions are---New York American made it 2,500. Like the boss press, the Daily crawling", and said that, in order The Journal made it 4,000. The minimized the strike's strength. At Essex House had only a typewritto prevent a demonstration during ten menu. They had given up tabloids gave it 5.000. The "liberal" the membership meeting which the birthday party, the leaders had printing menus altogether as they World-Telegram suppressed any re- adopted the general strike resolucould not be sure what they could ference to the 10,000 at the strike tion, 3,000 were present; the Daily organized a fake demonstration the meeting and extimated the picket said 1,000. At the Madison Square tains a cartoon which shows A. F. previous might. The issue also conactually cook. George, the headwaiter apologized, blaming the sit-

Among the latest hotels and restaurants to join the big strike parade have been the Columbia University Club, the Blake and the Grand Central controlled by CWA Workers Rebel the Union News Company, the Bosset Restaurant, Brooklyn, the With tens of thousands of hotel Stories by Diners Show

Wellington. and restaurant workers, and taxi The strike-breakers at Hotel drivers out on strike against exploi-Lincoln joined the walk-out on tation, and more thousands expect-Thursday. ed to come out in the morning, a

A worker at the Seymour Restmovement of rebellion'against misaurant reports that the head waittreatment began to take on militant er persistently refuses to fire one form among the CWA workers of of the bus boys and several waitthe city. At Dyker Heights Park ers who have been openly agitatin Brooklyn, workers launched a ing for the general strike. The sympathy for the walk-out in this militant protest against being docked half a day's pay without explanrestaurant is gaining every day. ation. When they massed outside The Carteret Restaurant is the the Administration Building to latest to settle with the Amalgvoice their protest, they received no consideration from officials. The amated.

latter sent for Police Emergency In flagrant violation of the ofsquads to disperse the workers. The C. W. A. workers in the Army Base ficial regulations of the Department of Labor, cooks from the in Brooklyn, all war veterans, met Italian Fascist ship, the S. S. Vuland adopted a resolution of protest against wage cuts. Steps are be-ing taken to unite all CWA groups cania, were sent from the ship to

The Daily has tried, like the boss

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ment collecting, officials racket.

scab at the Hotel Ambassador. The Amalgamated Food Workers who have grievances, and to bring about concrete expressions of solisent a letter of protest to has darity among all striking and un-Francis Perkins, Secretary of Laemployed groups throughout N.Y.C. bor.



press to convince the workers that their strike is hopeless culminated yesterday in a statement by Cald well, spokesmen for the Hotel Men's Association, in which he declared that the strike is over and no hotels teel it any longer. The truth is quite the contrary.

To Bone

On Tuesday night there were panjuets at several hotels in honor of coosevelt's birthday. To protest the act of the President in showing solidarity with those who employ and support scabs, the striking notel workers held a great militant lemonstration before the banquet notels. What was going on inside is revealed by the following statement of a diner.

"I saw Oscar at one point getting so red in the face that I thought he would burst. He was furious be cause of the sloppy way in which the banquet was being served. Of course, the skilled hands which usually serve the rich banqueters were outside on the picket line. As a result more than one soup-and-fish was stained. And it wasn't stained with the usual delicacies of the Waldorf, either. I never saw such an important banquet with such a plain menu. Of course, there was lenty to eat, too much as is usual in the Waldorf, but it was certainly not the famous Waldorf cuisine."

Another person, Mrs. Elinor Novack, went to half a dozen of the leading hotels on Tuesday afternoon to find out what was available for a dinner for eight people. She was service was going on as



story of the Daily Worker, charg- vote to stay out. These developing the A. F. W. with selling out ments the Daily ignored. Indeed,

8. Recognition of the Union. Boss Press Persists ing the A. F. W. with selling out ments the Daily ignored. Indeed, the general strike of the hotel on Jan. 31 when the whole shop workers, is only the latest and was already in the A. F. W. it pubmost flagrant attempt of the Stalin-lished a manifesto "by the New

## In Fighting Strike

viding that not only any genera agreement with the employers, but also temporary shop settlements should provide for definite increase in wages and decreases in hours At this meeting motions were adopted unanimously on the following three points:

1. All individual shop settle ments made in the course of the strike are to be considered as tem porary and subject to readjustment in accordance with the terms of a general settlement. These individual shop settlements are also to include specific provisions for increase in wages and decrease in hours as well as recognition of the union.

2. Any general settlement with the hotel bosses must be approved by the general strike committee and ratified by a general mass meeting of the strikers before being signed. 3. All temporary shop settlements must be approved by a shop meeting of the workers involved.

The fact that all these actions were taken by unanimous vote and without any opposition is in itself a sufficient indication that the attack of the Daily Worker was slan derous and without real foundation The attempt to represent the officials of the union as engaged in a "secret conspiracy to sell out the workers", is refuted by the facts themselves, in the given case, as well as by the well-known practises of the Amalgamated over a long period of years.

As a matter of fact, the constitution of the Amalgamated union specifically provides that at leas two shop delegates are to accompany an official of the union when ever he meets an employer to discuss wages, working conditions or other matters affecting the men in a given shop.

In order to give a final refuta tion to the false assertions that the Amalgamated general strike has not presented specific economic de mands, we reprint herewith a complete list of these demands as they were worked out by the union. Copies of them in leaflet form are distributed at the union headquart erg.

\* \* \* \* WAGE-SCALE DEMANDS of the HOTEL AND RESTAURANT WORKERS UNION Branch of the Amalgamated Food Workers of America

The following categories are to be included : Hotels, Restaurants, Grill Rooms, Oyster Bars, Chop

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the men in it, of their union How is it to be kept thened, how are the ranks of the strikers to be welded into a smoothworking, hard-hitting machine capable of battering down the resistance of the hotel men?

And here the fundamental question is: the morale of the strike,

**EDITORIAL** 

tied up by the Amalgamated Hotel and Restaurant Workers Union.

A week has passed since the call was issued for the general strike

The big demonstration around the leading hotels, following the

Now, however, the strike has entered a new stage of development.

imposing mass meeting at Madison Square Garden, revealed a mili-

tancy of spirit and a readiness to fight with unbroken ranks which is

The problem is first of all one of the leadership of the union and the policies which it pursues. Their capacities are tested and at the same time reflected in the morale of the union and the strike. Above all it is the leadership which, by the confidence which the rank and file has placed in it by its support, bears the burden of the responsibility for building up the necessary fighting morale, for holding the lines of the strike, for spreading the walkout movement to the other hotels and restaurants, and possibly to other branches of the industry.

How is this to be done? There is no miraculous recipe. There are only those policies and steps which have been tested over and over again in countless labor battles.

First: a policy of militant class struggle, which does not conceal the essential nature of the strike either from itself or from its opponents. To inspire the men with the feeling of class solidarity, with a reliance upon their own strength, their own power, their own invincibility, means to disregard capitalist "public opinion". It means contemptuous refusal to crawl before the bosses or the bosses' press in any shape or form.

Every attempt to represent the union as an inoffensive body which means no harm to anybory, must be promptly repudiated. The union is organized as a fighting body. Its aim is to win the fights of the workers in its ranks against their employers. There cannot be a victory for both sides of this fight. A victory for the one is a defeat for the other. The sooner every worker understands this simple truth, the firmer will be their determination, the less attention they will pay to the barking and calumnies of the kept boss press.

The public opinion about which the leadership of the union must concern itself is the public opinion of the membership!

The class struggle policy is the only way to keep up the ranks of the strikers and to add to them. It is here, we repeat, that the leadership will be tested. Our support will go, as it always has gone, to those elements who show their colors in the fight, and to none others.

Second in importance is the education of the membership. The primary need in this respect is the furnishing of complete and systematic information to them. Daily strike mass meetings and enlarged committee meetings are imperatively needed to fuse the ranks of the strikers into a solid mass, to reply to the enemies of the strike regardless of where they come from, to fight back the insidious poison of the capitalist press and to combat tendencies toward defeatism,

Every effort must be made, thirdly, to destroy the myth of the invincibility of the employers. The workers can win this strike and establish themselves as a power that must be dealt with. Other workers who are not yet in the ranks of the strike, can do the same as those who have already walked out.

The big objective of the union, it should be remembered, is to build up and consolidate a strong militant union. The fight for better conditions, higher wages and a shorter working day is inconceivable without union organization and direction. Let it be borne in mind that, as a general rule in all such struggles, the employers hold out most bitterly against the recognition demand. They realize that once the union has established itself in "their business", the basis is laid for gaining one demand after another.

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line at 4,000. The ultra-liberal Garden rally of Jan. 30, there were Evening Post some days ago, said a almost 10,000, the Daily of Jan. 31 kins in the Waldorf while telling "kind word" for the strike editor-ially by attacking a strike-breaking on the other hand, the **Daily** has make any noise.

editorial of World-Telergam, its persistently exaggerated the stren-liberal competitor from whom it gth of the Stalinist union. The and sneered at the mighty protest wants to steal worker-readers. Now Jan. 30 meeting of the F. W. I. U. demonstration in front of the Waldit pushed the number of workers in in Bryant Hall was attended by orf and other leading hotesl, organthe picket line down to 2,000! By about 500 people, most of whom ized and led by the A. F. W. during Dishes available in the small dining unanimously playing down one were not hotel workers. The Daily's the President's birthday party. But of the most extraordinary strike report on Jan. 31, that 600 strikers the Daily Worker pretended that it demonstrations in recent working were present was not so bad. In had never occurred, that the A. F. class history, the boss press once fact, it was so little like the Daily W. leaders had prevented it from again dealt a vicious blow to the that on Feb. 1 the figure was boost- occurring! The Daily of Feb. 1

But not only did the press min-During the first days of the strike, imize the numbers in the picket minorities of strikers in three hotels line. They reported nothing about were tricked into the F. W. I. U. by the splendid spirit of the march-Stalinist bunk. One after another ers, their effective demonstration these groups bolted and joined the before each hotel, the purpose of A. F. W. After wandering for the march, the applause of people three days in the Stalinist wilderon the sidelines and the rush of ness, the New Yorker shop, the Stalworkers from inside hotels to greet inist "fortress", unanimously dewith the Stalinist "union". the marchers. Furthermore, they cided on Jan. 30 to join the A. F. bid the whole report of the march W. Not even the four professional of workers under a report of a

minor incident in a Sixth Avenue scab agency, where, they say, some What the Amalgamated Stands For windows were broken when workers protested against scabbing.

This inconspicuous incident was The Amalgamated, first and fore |That is the only question asked played up by the boss press as a most, is a workers' union. No boss- when you join the union. desperate act of violence. Although es allowed. The Amaigamated is an indus-

even the police who always try It is a democratic union. The trial umon. Cooks, chefs, waiters, to break strikes, made no arrests. membership elects or recalls officials puspoys, belinops, chambermaids, the boss press blamed the strikers. "Striking Waiters Make Hash of and no tyrants in its ranks. as it sees fit. There are no thugs pantrymen, dishwashers are all eligible for membership in the same 6th Ave. Agency" was the headline There is freedom of expression. union. No craft divisions separate of the Daily News. "Job Agency them.

The worker can speak up without Wrecked", said the Herald-Tribune. and it went so far as to say that the incident of the windows is a or dues card.

There is no political discrimina-'measure taken by the Amalgamattion. Every hotel and restaurant Everything is open and above-board. ed Union to call the continued existence of the strike to the public's worker is welcomed whether he be attention." The Times reported this Communist

violence in the strike", ignoring the earlier use of thugs against strik- tion, no racial discrimination. Do can be obtained. ers on several occasions. you work in a hotel or a restaurant?

uation on the strike. The captain at the Park Lane the freezing picket outside not to said there would be no a la carte menu. They could not serve more than one or two dishes. The main

dinner course was white fish ! At the Ambassador the main dincoom were few and simple. Here the captain pretended this had nothing to do with the strike, but could give no other explanation. At Park Central the headwaiter which might have corrected the said he had not noticed the strike, "mistake" still did not say a word but Mrs. Novack spoke with a guest about the demonstration, the most who said that the waiter at her sensational mass picketing New table did not know what a demi-York has seen in years. tasse is.

The Daily has also accused A. F. The Savoy Plaza head waiter of-W. leaders of rejecting demands of fered \$4.50 dinner without choice of courses. The captain explained their own rank-and-file for unity that the strike did not bother them. The Daily of Jan. 27 reported that 150 A guest said indignantly: "Then why is the food so terrible?"

The menu at Marguery's offered seven choices on the main course. One was a vegetable plate, four were fish. Pierre, the head waiter, said a dinner for eight would have to be ordered definitely before six o'clock or they would never get it ready, not even the vegetable plate. Service as usual?

These conditions were duplicated at the Pennsylvania-Information about the Pennsylvania from another source reveals that in the grill for the last three days the only dessert has been pie. It is not a dues paying, asses

A diner at the Brevoort reports that the women hired for the dining The Amaigamated doesn't make room are not a great success at scabbing. After failing to get any of the famous French dishes which nigner wages and get them by 25 minutes to get a portion of Port There is no religious discrimina- struggle, which is the only way they du Salut; the waitress admitted that she had never heard of it.

It is YOUR UNION! JOIN UP! Service as usual? Bunk!

<b>¬AGE 2</b>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	THE MILITANT	FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1934
	<b>Dne Year After</b>	«Daily Worker» Hits Hotel Strike	Brand Union Contract Lies
With the whole of Germany op- pressed under the iron heel of Fasc- ism, Adolph Hitler celebrated the first anniversary of his appointment as Chancellor of the Reich on Jan- pary 30th.	postpone the decisive struggle, it national Communist party. Towards can make the road costlier and hard- er. The decisive problem is the re- asembling of the truly revolution- the bloody barbarous regime of the ary forces for the construction of German Nazis will be crushed and	(Continued from page 1) workers, "mostly Amalgamated members" in another column it is "more than 150 Amalgamated mem- bers") were insulted and ignored by union officials when they came to A. F. W. headquarters to demand	(Continued from page 1)       Introductory for the structure         Houses, Clubs, Cabarets, Catering Establishments.       for 8 hours work, minimum 4 hours 8.00       One Meal—Steady Work—5 Days Maximum 3½ hours         Demands for Wage Scale of Kitchen GENERAL PROVISIONS       minimum 4 hours 6.00       Maximum 3½ hours         1. No split watch       for 8 hours work       for 8 hours work       Genemands for Wage Scale of Kitchen Maximum 4 hours 6.00         2. Pay by week       for 8 hours work       for 8 hours work       for 8 hours work         0 ne Meal—Steady Work—5 Days       Maximum 3½ hours         Commis for 8 hours work, Batter Maximum 4 hours
Social Democratic parties, the wip- ing out of all trade unions and workers organizations, the persecu- tion of the Jews, the suppression of all opposition in the camp of the master class: the Nationalist- Monarchists, the Catholic Center,	The Wrecking Crew at Work	Housewives' Council "militants", I.	3. No charge for means       1. No charge for laundering       1. No charge for launder
and the storm troopstens of thousands in concentration camps, countless others in prisons and jails Dioody oppression and exploi- tation—inat is the present set-up in the year one of German Fascism. hitterism in the Saddle.	sponsible bureaucrats playing with the workers' interests as lightly as a child plays with a toy, they are parading under the guise of the dis- credited Food Workers industrial Union. This so-called union has been brought into the hotel strike, not to help and cooperate with the Amal- gamated—accepted by the overwhelming majority of the strikers as ineir representative—but to spit the ranks and sow confusion.	work of the strike committees at midnight with howls of unity, pre- tending to be A. F. W. members un- til questions revealed what they really were. They were told that if those who sent them really had	Class A Class B         1. Stations to be rotated         Sous-chef       \$55.00         Saucier sous-chef       50.00         Saucier sous-chef       50.00         Chef de Nuit       40.00         Chef Garde Manger.       40.00         Chef Entremetier       35.00         Chef Entremetier       35.00         Busbers.       A.—Tipping Establishments         Chef Entremetier       38.00         Saucier Sous-chef       35.00         Chef Entremetier       38.00         Stations to be rotated       Waiters         Chef Entremetier       38.00         Stations to be rotated       Waiters         Chef Entremetier       38.00
With unparalleled rapidity, Hitler has consoluted his power. At the end of January 1933 he became Chancehor. On March 5th the German people were terrorized and cajoled to participate in his Bona- partist pleuiscite. With the so- called "uemocratic mandate" of the	The Food Workers Industrial Union started out on its career by splitting the Amalgamated in 1929 without any just cause whatsoever. Despite the fact that freedom of expression, the absence of political dis- crimination and progressive tactics were part and parcel of the Amal gamated, hundreds of militant workers were maneuvered into a split by the high priests of the official Communist party (the Stalinists) whose		Chef Rotissier
May 1st the Socialist leaders of the	For several years the I. W. 1. U. succeeded only in demoralizing the union situation and by their tactics, caused workers to hold back from all organizations. Although they split the Amalgamated and weakened it temporarily, nobody expected that they would build anything in its place. And to be sure, this F. W. I. U., through its blundering tactics	issue (Jan. 26) reveals the origin of the midnight unity "delegation" —it was elected at the Bryant Hall meeting of the Stalinist "union". The <b>Daily</b> of Jan. 31 contained a long editorial It charged the A. F. W. leaders with opportunism. In	1st Garde Manger 35.00       32.00       32.00       Commis       20.00       Class A         Hors d'Oeuvrier       35.00       32.00       Busboys       20.00       20.00       CAFETERIA         1st Grillardin
Several months later the unions were completely abolished. The factory councils suffered the same fate. With the militant working class crushed, Hitler took steps against	destroy not to build. What else could happen to a Stalinist union, whose policies are thoroughly destructive, where officials are appointed and not elected, where any worker with political opinions different from those of the leadership is persecuted, hounded or expelled out of the ranks?	Board to negotiate with them. and also for not using militant tactics to get the Board to negotiate! Would it be wrong to talk to the bosses? The Stalinists claim they made a settlement with the Hyde	Commis Tournant, all depts 28.00Busboys
his ames of the Hugenburg-Nation- anst camp. The Steel Heimets were integrated with Hitler's storm troops. The Nationalists were either won over to the Fascist party or	In spite of the "18th Street Union's" malodorous record, the true	in the midst of the strike. Did they do it without talking to the bosses?	Kitchen Man         20.00         20.00           Chef Legumier         25.00         22.00           Legumier         20.00         20.00           Casserolier         20.00         20.00
ousted from the government and all omcial posts. After one year, Hitler has full control over the en- tire heid unchallenged by any seri-	avor of genuine unity. At the height of the organization drive, the Amalgamated offered to open its doors wide to every worker affiliated with the Industrial Union, proposing to admit him without the slightest	Board to act, as the <b>Daily</b> suggests? The truth is this: the A. F. W. said it would not refuse to talk with the	2nd Communard 25.00 1st Commis Butcher. 30.00 Volailliste
bloody screet fights and conflicts— Hitler has accomplished in montas. The young Italian Communist Party, despite Mussolini's desires, could not be suppressed or made illegal until 1926. Trade unions,	an intensified campaign of only maneuvers and underhanded sabotage. From the time the walkout began in the Waldorf, the moves of the industrial Union have had nothing but a strikebreaking effect. For every handbill issued by the Amalgamated, it has issued coun- ter-leaflets printed on the same kind of paper in the same type, calculat- ed to deceive and confuse the workers.	al Labor Board. It turned to the strike as it means of fighting for the workers' interests; not to the Regional Labor Board. The state- ment in the capitalist press that it had made such an appeal was just	<ul> <li>Chef Patissier</li></ul>
independent of the caricature Fasc- ist unions, were being built years after Mussolinis victory. The Ital- ian workers fought militantly against the consolidation of Fasc- ism.	For every meeting called by the Amalgamated, the F. W. I. U. lead ers have called a counter-meeting using the same despicable trick with the leaflets in an attempt to mislead the workers as to the identity of	MASS MEETING IN SUPPORT OF THE HOTEL STRIKE	2dn Baker

Workers Left Leaderless

An entirely different picture in Germany! The workers with tongue in cheek are compelled to shout: Heil Hitier! Depressed and downhearted, they are still passive and inactive. Hitler's victory was easy sailing for him-after years of and criminal blunders on the part of the Stalinized Communist party. The workers were left leaderles against their organizations, living conditions and very lives.

All this dispute the empty and

es striking under the banner of the Amalgamated. On the day the Amalgamated issued its general strike call, decided Questions Adm. 15c Discussion by the unanimous vote of thousands of members, and distributed tens of treachery by the Social Democracy thousands of leaflets to that effect, this F. W. I. U., without a single notel organized, issued a separate call for the general strike. Again, it

printed its "general strike" leaflet in the same kind of type. The only during the offensive of Fascism difference was that it gave its own address for strike headquarters Seeing through this new trick, the masses of the hotel and restaurant workers flocked to the Amalgamated and enrolled under its

Where it has had any supporters in hotels, as in the New Yorker,

the F. W. I. U. has done its all to sidetrack the workers from the mass

All this dispute the empty and bureaucratic boasting of the Stalinists. They called the Mueller, the taking the F. W. I. U. for the real union. But no sooner did these work-Von Papen and Von Schleicher gov- ers discover their error, than they turned their backs on the Stalinist

EDITORIAL (Continued from page 1) The union has a right to demand, fourthly, that every member

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display a one hundred percent loyalty to the Amalgamated. The "18th Street Union" of the Stalinists is carrying out one of its typically shabby maneuvers in this respect. On the surface, the Stalinists have capitulated to the Amalgamated. Under the pressure of the sweep to

22.00 by these "labor chiefs". Within page 50, section 1. (a). this full circle of gag-laws the of-"It shall be the duty of the ficial bureaucrats in these 21 rail- Editor and Manager to take full

road unions keep themselves en | charge of the Brotherhood of Locotrenched against their membership. motive Firemen and Enginemen's The present brotherhood leadership Magazine, under the general superis fully conscious of the life and vision of the President." death nesessity for complete stran- Practically all of the Brotherhood

gulation of all rank and file expres- constitutions have similar provision to keep themselves in office. sions. Under this set-up it is not They know that as soon as their an easy matter to reach the memgag-laws fail them their rule is over. bership in any one of the railroad Censorship Laws Cited. unions with any criticism on the

Below we will just cite provisions administration's present bankrupt in two of the Brotherhood consti-tutions to show how the President when our officials cannot be criticin each one has full control of all ized to the rank and file they do membership expression in the Maga- not have to defend themselves no matter how or what they do in of In section 12 1-2 (a) on page 7 fice. A good leadership will depend

nd 8 of the B. of R. T. constitu- on, and defend, full tion, we find the following as part pression of its membership. A leadof that section, to wit: ership like we have in the Rail-"It shall be the duty of the Editor road Brotherhoods who want to reand Manager....to have full charge amin in office at all cost and keep of the editorial and business man-us divided and ignorant, lives in agement of the Railroad Trainmen, deadly fear of free expression. subject only to the supervision of -A. E.

ernments-Fascist. Now any work-"union" and joined the Amalgamated.

er can see what a real Fascist re-The Amalgamated is now the only genuine union and strike leader gime means! They characterized the Social Democratic party-folof the thousands of hotel and restaurant workers engaged in a bitter lowing their master, Stalin-as "so- ight for better conditions. Fighting it are the racketeer controlled Local cial-rascist", that is Fascists who 16 of the A. F. of L. and the Stalinist-controlled sect on 18th Street. use socialist parases. Fascism and The "Industrial Union" is not concerned with the issues of the social democracy are twins, they shouted; they are not antagonistic strike, or with winning it. Its main aim is to break off from the Amand incompatible. algamated a little chunk here and another there. To accomplish this it Life itself has answered their is prepared to carry out the most pernicious and disgraceful policy. Its

W. I. U. has not succeeded in its game.

stupid theory. Fascism could not tolerate even the cringing, bootlick officials have discredited the union in the eyes of the food workers, just ing servants of capitalism, Social as they have discredited and disgraced the name of Communism. Democracy. For as is well known Let no striker be deceived: These are not Communists who sow Social Democracy had its troops in division and confusion in the workers' ranks. They are agents and

the mass trade unions. within these trade unions, Social victims of the corrupt Stalinist bureaucracy, who put their sectarian in-Democracy had a free rein. The cerests above the interests of the working class. Stalinists organized their pure, "rev-

The Militant, representing what is best and soundest in Communism olutionary" trade unions isolated repudiates these pretenders who parade as the "Industrial Union", and from the workers. Despite paper its record of disruption and strike-breaking. We are confident that all resolutions on work in the mass trade unions, no real work was con- that is healthy in the ranks of the Stalinist union, will respond in a ducted. How could a revolutionary loyal and fraternal spirit to the call for unity of the Amalgamated union. party be effective in such a develop-Our strictures against the Stalinist union have nothing in common ed industrial country as Germany with no support among the organwith those who conduct a fight against it from the reactionary point of ized workers, in the trade unions? view, and there are not a few of these. We do not, like the latter, have

The United Front an attitude of antagonism to the workers misguided by the irresponsible United front of all workers or ganizations? Never a united front Stalinists. Quite the contrary. We are not, like the reactionaries, with social Fascists, was the reply availing ourselves of the blunders and crimes of the Stalinists for a of these self-acclaimed leaders of covert attack upon Communism and everything else that is progressive the workers. The Socialist workand healthy in the trade union movement. Quite the contrary. Our ers are being won over....the united iront only from below" is hav- fight to the death against the splitting and demoralizing moves of the ing great success....the Communist leaders of the "18th Street Union", is animated by the unshakable conparty has as many workers followviction that the progress and victory of the Amalgamated is bound up

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ing it---claimed Thaelmann after the elections of July 1933-as the So- inseparably with a progressive course, with a class struggle policy, with cial Democratic party....Hitler a democratic regime in the union, with a militant leadershp. could not last for any length of time. Such were the reports spread by the self-satisfied Stalinist apparand progressives, v

atus. By their policies they played into the hand of the Social Democratic leaders and the Fascists. The So-Workers have join cialist leaders were able to keep control over their members; the latstrike which cripp ter had no confidence whatever in streets in a might the Stalinists. The Fascists were able to utilize this sharp division carried on a progr your party sabota within the working class.

The working class of Germany, weaken the worke and the workers of the entire world, suffered a serious and historical dein the union? Wh feat. It is not a question of weeks name of Communis before the working class movement will once again arise. The small heroic ilegal Communist and revolurevolutionists amo tionary socialist groups functioning in Germany are isolated from the demand that the b masses. It will take time before do further damag the workers once again organize their forces, their trade unions and party.

**Fascism Doomed** But struggle they will, struggle they must !Fascism cannot solve the crises of capitalism-it can

the Amalgamated, they have had to call upon the men "following" them to enter that union and carry on under its leadership. But this capitulation, we repeat, is only a maneuver by which these discredited splitters hope to transfer their disruption to the inside of the union. A relentless tight against this wrecking crew is indispensable for

the preservation of the fighting unity of the Amalgamated, who constitute the most sinister threat to the unity and success of the strike. Furthest from our minds is any idea of identifying the Industrial Union members with their leadership. Quite the contrary. A comradely and intelligent approach to these workers by the Amalgamated is absolutely essential.

The Stalinists cannot be disposed of by ignoring them. An offensive must be launched against them, their attacks answered, and their tricks exposed before the workers. This is an offensive which can be organized and conducted primarily by the consolidation of the class conscious forces in the union.

A sharp and urgent warning must be issued, fifthly, against the growing reactionary tendency in the union. The reactionary tendency is the bosses' tendency. The morale of the union cannot be built up by Red-baiting, and every black voice that is raised by the reaction must be answered in a manner it will not quickly forget.

This strike cannot be won by "respectability" The attempts to make the Amalgamated "respectable" in the eyes of the bosses and the government is an admission on the part of those who make them that they have no belief that the workers can win by fighting. The attempts are reactionary and defeatist through and through, and that is the basis on which they must be met before they have assumed more dangerous proportions.

A tightening up in the functioning of the union is essential to the morale of the strikers. The committees must be properly coordinated; the shop committees must become living bodies drawing the workers closer and closer to the union as a whole.

Organizational efficiency, on the one side, and a morale-building Our efforts in this direction will continue unabated, regardless of leadership on the other, can make the Amalgamated a force that will the direction from which opposition may come. The true Left wingers smash through all the barriers standing on the road to vicotry!

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Ind progressives, will fight under the same banner. To rank and file members of the C. P., The Militant has this to say: See what the "union" your party controls is doing! Masses of Norkers have joined an independent union. This union called a general strike which crippled a great industry. It brought workers on the streets in a mighty demonstration. And all through the days when it earried on a progressive, militant struggle, the "union" controlled by your party sabotaged, sowed confusion, slandered, and did its best t weaken the workers' front. Why have your leaders refused to cooperate with Left wing elements	HOTEL STRIKE on Sunday, February 4th, 1934 Speakers: Max Shachtman and Hotel Strikers	THE MILLITANT Entered as a second class mail matter November 28, 1928, at the Post Office at New York, N. Y. Un- der the act of March 3, 1879. Published Three Times a Week by the Communist League of America (Opposition) 126 East 16th Street, New York, N.Y. EDITORIAL BOARD	resell them, one at a time, two at a time, bowever you can. If you re- sell them you have your money back. You can stop there if you want to. But you can do better than that. You can reinvest the dollar in four more cards and resell them. In this way you will have a small revolving fund at work increasing the circulation of the Militant. And when you wind it up you will have spent nothing yourself. Build the Militant! Help circulate a Marvian paper for workers!
<ul> <li>why have your leaders fertised to cooperate with hert wing elements in the union? Why have they behaved disruptively, disgracing the very name of Communism?</li> <li>Members of the C. P.—ask yourselves these questions. All true revolutionists among you should raise them in your organization and demand that the bureaucrats of the F. (W. I. U. be scotched before they do further damage to the hotel workers' strike.</li> </ul>	MILITANT HALL-154 Watkins St. (Near Belmont Ave.) Brooklyn Questions Adm. 15c Discussion Auspices: Brooklyn Branch.	Arne Swabeck Vol. VII, No. 6 (Whole No. 210) FRIDAY FEBRUARY 2 1934	•Order for Club Plan half year sub cards for one dollar! Use the blank below! THE MILITANT 126 East 16th Street, New York City, N. Y. Enclosed please find \$for
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